

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

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Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 03/28/2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-18.
3. ☐ The drawings filed on _____ are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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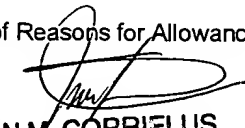
Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.

THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 6. ☒ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☒ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date 05/12/2005.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____


JEAN M. CORRIELUS
PRIMARY EXAMINER

DETAILED ACTION

1. After carefully review applicant remarks in the Appeal Brief filed on March 28, 2005. The Office agrees with applicant remarks and enters the amendment filed on 03/28/2005.

Claims 1-18 are pending in this application.

Drawings

2. The drawings filed on 01/20/2000 are acceptable subject to correction of the informalities. Please submits the Formal Drawing before the issue fee. In order to avoid abandonment of this application, correction is required in reply to the Office action. The correction will not be held in abeyance.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 1-18 are allowed over the prior arts made of record.

The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter:

As to claim 1, none of the know prior art alone or incombination neither teach or suggest "interactively generating, for each of said plurality of groups of users, a respective; project tracking interface definition, each project tracking interface definition being a data object defining a respective set of task selections, each task selection of a set of task selections corresponding to a respective task action of said pre-defined set of task actions performed by said at least one computer system with respect to a

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respective one or more said data objects stored on said at least one computer system, wherein a first set of task selections of a first project tracking interface for a first group of users is different from a second set of task selections of a second project tracking interface for a second group of users” in conjunction with “associating a first user with said first group of users; presenting said first project tracking interface having said first set of task selections to said first user; performing task actions corresponding to task selections of said first set of task selections responsive to said first user interactively selecting the corresponding task selections of said first set of task selections; associating a second user with said second group of users; presenting said second project tracking interface having said second set of task selections to said second user; and performing task actions corresponding to task selections of said second set of task selections responsive to said second user interactively selecting the corresponding task selections of said second set of task selections.”

Claims 2-7 are depended on claim 1; therefore, they are allowed under the same reason.

Claim 8 is computer program product to perform the method of claim 1; therefore, it is allowed under the same reason as claim 1.

Claims 9-14 are depended on claim 8; therefore, they are allowed under the same reason as to claim 8.

Claim 15 is a computer program product having same scope of claim 1; therefore, it is allowed under the same reason as to claim 1.

Claims 16-18 are depended on claim 15; therefore, they are allowed under the same reason as to claim 1.

Conclusion

4. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Patent

Formenti (US. Patent No. 6,487,469 B1) Patent date: 11/26/2002.

System And Method For Integrating Schedule and Design Environments

Tsukahara (US. Patent No. 6,169,991 B1) Patent date: 01/02/2001.

Client Server System and Control Method Thereof.

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Takkinen et al. Task-oriented restructuring of an application domain: a m architecture for doing things in Internet e-mail, System Sciences. 01/5-8/1999. pages 6.

Miller Leslie. A heterogenous multiprocessor design and the distributed scheduling of its task group workload. International Conference on Computer Architecture. 1982, 283-290.

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Contact Information

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Baoquoc N. To whose telephone number is at 571-272-4041 or via e-mail BaoquocN.To@uspto.gov. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday: 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM, EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, John Breene can be reached at 571-272-4107.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-3900.

Any response to this action should be mailed to:

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D.C. 20231.

The fax numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are as follow:

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May 12th, 2005


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